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SENATORIAL PARTY COMES ON FRIDAY

Meeting Will be Held at the Park.

BIG CROWD EXPECTED

All Arrangements Complete for the Day.

County Chairman R. A. Cooper Will Preside.

The Senatorial campaign meeting will be held in this city on Friday, July 24. The meeting will be called to order by County Chairman R. A. Cooper at 11 o'clock at the park. All arrangements have been made for the reception of the speakers and the comfort of the large crowd of visitors expected.

The Senatorial party will probably arrive in the city from Greenville late Thursday afternoon. The seven candidates who aspire to represent South Carolina in the upper branch of the national congress are:

Hon. John Gary Evans, of Spartanburg.

Hon. E. D. Smith, of Florence.

Hon. O. B. Martin, of Columbia.

Hon. R. G. Rhett, of Charleston.

Hon. John P. Grace, of Charleston.

Hon. W. W. Lumpkin, of Columbia.

Hon. George Johnstone, of Newberry.

Most if not quite all of these prominent men are personally known to a majority of the Laurens voters and several of them have been heard on the hustings in the past. All are ready and entertaining speakers and it is probable that a large and representative Laurens crowd will greet them here Friday. It is likely that the court will adjourn for the meeting.

Cross Hill News Items.

At Hill, July 15.—Miss Sallie Shra, on died last Monday and was buried at Bethabara.

A little child of Mr. Wade Turner died last Friday and was buried Saturday at the Baptist cemetery.

Mr. J. M. Pitts, of Laurens, has been painting in town. He finished several jobs very nicely and had contracts for other jobs and had drawn money on some that were unfinished. He left quite suddenly and this correspondent and some others are wondering what has become of him.

Mr. Robert Noffz was carried to the insane asylum last week. His people had noticed that his mind was not right for some time. He is a young man about grown.

The Ware Shoals Reference.

Last week in Greenwood was heard part of the testimony in the Ware Shoals case, known as J. O. C. Fleming et al. vs. B. D. Riegel et al. by Mr. Edward Melver, of Cheraw, appointed special Master to take this testimony. The plaintiffs introduced their evidence, that is, in part, and the defendants then secured an adjournment until August 3rd, when the hearing will be continued in Laurens. It is understood that on the reconvening of this reference court the defendants will make a motion to dismiss the case; if this be unsuccessful then it is likely that their testimony will be taken and the matter submitted to Judge Gage, who appointed Mr. Melver to this special duty.

A Correction.

In the list of bids for the Federal building published last week there was an error in one item: the lot offered by Mr. M. L. Copeland should have been at \$6,000 instead of \$7,000.

WOODVILLE W. O. W. TO HOLD ANNUAL CELEBRATION.

Magnolia Camp No. 156, Woodmen of the World, located at Woodville, in Dials township, will give its fifth annual picnic at Woodville Friday, July 31st. Superintendent of Education R. W. Nash will officiate as master of ceremonies and in addition to the invited speakers for the occasion all the county candidates are expected to be on hand given an opportunity to speak. Those specially invited to address the crowd include Congressman Johnson, Solicitor Cooper and Senator Blease.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Burton of Honea Path are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell of the city.

THE SUMMER TERM OF COMMON PLEAS

Convened Monday With Judge Klugh Presiding--Barksdale Gets Verdict of \$1,000 Against Railway Co.

Monday morning at ten o'clock the regular July term of the Court of Common Pleas convened here with Judge J. C. Klugh of Abbeville presiding. The roster of cases is not lengthy at this term, so only one week will be consumed in the trial of the cases set by the bar association. After the work of organization was completed the court took up the suit of W. D. Barksdale against the Charleston and Western Carolina Railway Co. for damages to the amount of \$3,000. The plaintiff claimed this amount for damages to his dwelling and lands caused by cinders and coal dust from the coal chute belonging to the Railway Co. and located near the dwelling and lands of the plaintiff. This case occupied the attention of the court almost all of Monday and up to the noon recess of Tuesday's session, nineteen witnesses testifying and four counsels addressing the jury. The plaintiff was represented by Cannon and Blackwell while the Railway Co.'s attorneys were Simpson, Cooper and Babb. The jury in the case brought in a sealed verdict which was opened by the court at the re-convening after dinner Tuesday. It gave the plaintiff \$1,000 damages. Counsel for the defendant gave notice of a motion for a new trial, which motion will be heard later in the session.

The next case was that of the Mayfield Woolen Mills Clothing Co. against J. R. Anderson, of Waterloo, for the collection of a claim. Richey and Richey appeared for the defendant and Simpson, Cooper and Babb for the plaintiff. The case had not gone to the jury up to press time.

ELOQUENCE AND HASH IN ABUNDANCE AT MOUNTVILLE.

The barbecue and picnic at Mountville last Saturday proved quite a noteworthy event in that up-to-date village on the Seaboard road where reside some of the best people to be found anywhere. Ample preparation had been made for the accommodation of a large crowd and the managers were in no wise disappointed. The barbecue was under the direction and supervision of Mr. M. B. Crisp and well did he serve the people. The picnic dinner was in keeping with the custom of those Mountville folks to supply plentifully the good things that are looked for on such occasions. There were nearly three hundred people present Saturday.

Candidates for office are well aware of such opportunities as that on Saturday and many took advantage of it. All were accorded the privilege of speaking, but because of the rain the program was not completed. Messrs. Wharton, Cannon, Sullivan and Richey spoke, but just as Mr. Todd was about to begin the rain came up. Mr. Todd remarked afterwards that the eloquence of his friend Richey made even the heavens weep. Hon. Joseph T. Johnson, of Spartanburg, was on hand and spoke on national affairs much to the enjoyment and enlightenment of his ardent admirers of this county. Solicitor R. A. Cooper is always welcomed when he appears before the people of the county and Saturday's event was no exception. Mr. Crisp said Monday that it was one of the best picnics he had ever attended and that it was a fine educational meeting.

The people of Mountville are to be congratulated upon the success of this occasion.

Mr. Wilson's Grandmother Dead.

Mr. Earle Wilson received a message early Monday morning to the effect that his grandmother, Mrs. J. J. Wilson, of Cheraw, had died at 7 o'clock that morning. Mr. Wilson left on the mid-day train for Cheraw to attend the funeral service on Tuesday. Mrs. J. E. Clardy and Mr. Wilson are the only grandchildren of deceased.

Reception Committee.

As announced the Farmers' Institute will be held here in the court house at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, July 29th. This institute comes under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce and the officers of that body have constituted themselves a reception committee to look after the accommodation of the visiting speakers and the farmers of the county who attend. Everything for a thoroughly enjoyable and profitable day will be carefully attended by the officers of the Chamber of Commerce.

CLINTON NEWS NOTES.

Interesting List of Personal Paragraphs for the Week.

Clinton, July 21.—Mrs. M. A. Hays delightfully entertained the Wallachian Embroidery Club last Thursday morning with an elegant three course luncheon. Miss Mamie Moore and brother, of Abbeville, spent last Sunday with Miss Tallulah Neville.

Miss Lila Hart, who has been visiting Miss Agnes Adams, returned to her home in Laurens last Saturday.

Mr. Barr Vance has returned home after a short visit to relatives in Laurens.

Mr. Paul Nash is at home for the summer.

Misses Lila and Irene Dillard have returned from a few days' visit to friends in Ora, S. C.

Mrs. C. E. Lipford, of Green Cave Springs, Fla., is visiting her brother here, Mr. W. B. Rook.

Miss Josie Prather, who has been in Darlington for some weeks, has returned.

Miss Azile Estes and sister, Mrs. B. O. Berry, are visiting their sister, Mrs. L. J. Moore, of this place.

Miss Janie Little is visiting friends in Fairfield county this week.

Mr. Glenn Grier spent last Sunday in Clinton.

Mr. John Dubois, who is a student at Cornell University, is spending the summer at home with Prof. Spencer.

Misses Fronde Kennedy, Elizabeth and Katherine Bean and Marion McCrary left last Thursday for Montreat, where they will spend the summer.

Mr. Tom Leake, of New York city, and Mr. Ed Leake, of Savannah, are visiting their mother in Clinton.

Mrs. G. H. Cornelson and children, of Nashville, Tenn., are visiting her father, Mr. M. S. Bailey.

Mrs. Lyon, of Savannah, Ga., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Ellis.

Misses Nell and Jesse Wallace, of Laurens, visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Henry are camping at Stomp Springs.

Mr. Lawton Phillips, of Ninety-Six, spent Sunday in Clinton with his brother, Dr. J. Q. Phillips, who has fever.

Mrs. Jane Park, of Greenwood, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. M. L. Kelley.

Dr. T. J. Peake, of Cross Hill, spent a few days in Clinton last week.

Misses Julia and Eliza Neville have returned to their home after a delightful visit to their aunt, Mrs. Aiken, in Chester.

Miss Janie Moore, of Abbeville, and the Misses Akers, of Atlanta, are visiting Misses Julia and Eliza Neville.

Miss Irene Little is visiting friends at Stomp Springs.

Miss Sarah Dibble, of Orangeburg, is the guest of Miss Olie Adams.

Mrs. Holmes and children, of Orangeburg, are visiting her father Mr. Adams.

Mrs. Ackerman, of Macon, Ga., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Copeland, Jr., and a number of other Clintonians have returned from a delightful camping trip in the mountains.

Mr. Luther Merchou, of Gainesville, Fla., has returned to his home after a delightful visit to relatives in Clinton.

Mrs. Howard Caldwell and daughter are visiting friends in Clinton.

The skating rink is still the centre of attraction for the old people as well as the young.

Mrs. J. H. Young and Elizabeth have returned after a week's visit to friends in Columbia.

Watts Mill Won.

The Watts mill baseball team defeated the Lydia mill team by a score of 8 to 1 in a very interesting game on the Watts mill diamond Saturday afternoon.

Social Circle Sentry.

The Advertiser is in receipt of copies of the Social Circle Sentry, a bright weekly newspaper published at Social Circle, Ga., and edited by Mr. P. Barney Lockwood, an experienced newspaper man well known in Laurens, where he spent several years in his chosen profession.

Mrs. James M. Smith of Waterloo, accompanied by her daughter Miss Mary was in the city Tuesday, on a short visit to her son, Mr. Joe Smith who leaves to-day for the encampment at Chickamauga park. Mrs. Smith is a close reader and ardent admirer of The Advertiser; she had some very complimentary things to say about the paper and some very much appreciated words of encouragement.

Miss Caroline Fleming returned Monday from a visit to Stamp Springs, near Clinton.

Misses Lula and Lucy Donnan, of Sandy Springs, are spending some time with relatives and friends in Asheville.

CROSS HILL NEWS ITEMS.

Marriage of Mr. Austin and Miss Hipp-- Fruit and Vegetables Plentiful.

Cross Hill, July 20.—Mr. Samuel D. Austin and Miss Eula Hipp were married last Wednesday at the home of the bride near Clinton, Rev. Mr. Fowler officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Austin, of South Georgia, were here last week to attend the marriage of his brother, Mr. S. D. Austin.

Mrs. Zoe Crisp and son, Mr. George Crisp, of Augusta, are visiting relatives here.

Messrs. Joe and Erskine Carter were over from Clinton yesterday.

Mr. Jessie O'Neal died at his sister's, Mrs. Day, in Greenwood county last week and was buried at the family burying ground here. He was about 65 years of age.

Mr. Henry Miller has been at home on the sick list for several days.

There has been quantities of fruit and vegetables this year. When Mrs. R. A. Austin cooked her first beans she gathered what she thought was a new variety of squashes (but they were gourds) and like Elisha's men, she "shred them in the potage." So they poured out for the men to eat—and they could not eat thereof.—2 Kings, 4:40.

Mrs. and Mrs. W. M. Miller and family and Miss Belle Madden will go to Asheville, N. C., today to be gone several days.

Mr. J. M. Simmons has been right sick. He and his family have gone to Stomp Springs.

Mr. Andrew Burnside is quite ill at this writing.

NEW LIFE GIVEN THE CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce had a largely attended and wholly unprecedented meeting, so far as enthusiasm was concerned, in the office of the People's Loan and Exchange bank last Friday afternoon. The purpose of the meeting was to re-organize the body and lay plans for some earnest work. It was decided to begin again at the bottom and re-enroll all the members and solicit new ones on the revised basis of membership fees, which are now only \$6.00 a year instead of \$12.00 as heretofore. A committee consisting of Messrs. W. R. McCuen, W. H. Dial, R. A. Cooper, W. H. Washington and E. P. Minter was appointed to solicit members and collect dues.

The matter of quarters for the commercial body was considered and it was decided that if fifty members were secured rooms would be rented and furnished. This, it was thought, would tend to increase interest and prove an organizing force. The rooms will be rented for over the required fifty have been enrolled. Just where the location is to be is a matter yet undecided.

The committee on membership met with remarkable success in their efforts as Mr. McCuen said: "This time we had only to place the list before the people and they enrolled; before, there was a whole lot of explaining to do." President Aiken also is much encouraged by the enthusiasm shown in the re-organization of the almost extinct body.

Following is the agreement signed and the list of members enrolled up to Tuesday at noon:

We the undersigned hereby agree to join the Chamber of Commerce for the year 1908-9. Agree to pay dues to said organization the sum of \$6.00 per year, payable quarterly in advance.

When 50 or more members are obtained and sufficient funds to meet the expense, that suitable quarters shall then be opened for the use of the Chamber:

Dr. W. H. Dial, W. R. McCuen, R. F. Fleming, S. E. Boney, R. A. Cooper, D. A. Davis, O. B. Simmons, H. K. Aiken, S. M. Wilkes, E. P. Minter, S. J. Craig, W. H. Washington, J. H. Traynham, A. Shayer, L. A. McCord, W. G. Wilson, C. M. Miller, T. C. Switzer, I. Schayer, Rolfe E. Hughes, E. W. Martin, C. M. Babb, J. A. Simmons, C. B. Sullivan, R. G. Franks, T. B. Crews, C. C. Featherstone, J. J. Pluss, W. R. Richey, W. R. Richey, Jr., Mosley & Roland, L. E. Burns, A. H. Sanders, C. R. Bishop, W. P. Hudgins, N. B. Dial, C. H. Roper, L. G. Balle, Jr., W. G. Lancaster, C. E. Kennedy, J. L. Hopkins, J. C. Owings, John A. Franks, J. S. Bennett, Dick Owings, H. A. McLeod, J. J. Adams, M. H. Fowler, M. J. Owings, W. L. Gray, A. D. Gray, J. W. Thompson, R. F. Jones, C. Jones, L. C. Fuller, T. H. Nelson, J. K. Galleghy, E. W. Copeland, A. J. Christopher, J. A. Armstrong, The Caine & Pitts Furniture Co., J. N. Hudgens, C. W. Tune, L. B. Blackwell, W. H. Gilkerson, Jr., P. A. Simpson.

Capt. J. B. Humbert, of Princeton, and his son, Mayor John B. Humbert, of Honea Path, spent a day in the city last week, coming over with Mr. Jas. D. Hammett, president of Watts Cotton Mills.

ORGANIZATION OF THE PEOPLES BANK

Clinton's New Institution Absorbs Accounts of Bailey's Bank--

B. H. Boyd President.

Clinton, July 21.—A meeting was held in the Town Hall on Thursday, July 16th, at 4 p. m., for the purpose of electing the directors and officers of the People's Bank. The election was as follows: Mr. B. H. Boyd, president; Mr. M. S. Bailey, vice-president; Mr. R. J. Copeland, Jr., cashier. Directors—Messrs. J. H. Pitts, W. J. Bailey, A. V. Martin, J. H. Young, B. F. Bryson, W. H. Workman, W. B. Farr, M. S. Bailey, W. H. Shands, B. H. Boyd. The capital stock is \$50,000 and nearly all this has been subscribed. It will absorb the accounts of Bailey's Bank. It is probable that this bank will locate in a new building on Broad street.

The new union station is going up now and with such a capable contractor as Mr. John Milady to push it the building will be completed in a short time. This building will cost about \$15,000 and will be quite an addition to Clinton.

The following merchants have paved the sidewalk in front of their stores: The J. W. Copeland Co., J. I. Copeland, First National Bank, B. L. King, L. Davidson, J. Q. Phillips, Copeland Stove Co., Geo. Bailey, Post Office, J. H. Young, M. S. Bailey & Sons, J. I. Pitts, W. B. Farr, Bailey Bros., Simpson-Copeland Co. This has added very much to the business part of town and Clinton is almost a city. The only thing that is needed to make it one is a car line.

During a severe storm last Wednesday evening the home of Mr. B. L. King was struck by lightning and part of the roof was torn out and part of the chimney torn down.

Mr. R. Z. Wright has torn down his two stores on Broad street and is erecting two new handsome buildings in the same location.

Court House Improvements.

Supervisor Humbert is having some much-needed repair work done on the court house in the way of replacing rotten boxing and new mouldings around the eaves of the structure. Just the extent of these improvements cannot be stated, whether or not the house will be repainted, and in regard to altering the steps and approaches. It is rumored that the court house grounds are to be laid off in pretty walks and four ornamental poles placed at the four corners of the space. All this last is rumor, however, as the plans of the supervisor cannot be learned.

Benefit of Juvenile Society.

The Juvenile Missionary Society of the First Methodist church will have charge of the motion picture shows on the afternoon and evening of this coming Friday, the 24th, and will receive half the proceeds. Little Miss Marguerite Tolbert is treasurer of this society and requests that everybody be urged to attend and help out their cause. Manager Roman has phoned to Atlanta and ordered a special film to show on the occasion, and those who attend will be pleased. Usual prices, 5 and 10c.

\$19.10 in Silver Burned.

Mr. C. H. Roper, cashier of the Enterprise bank, had on exhibition Tuesday morning a number of burned silver coins, in amount \$19.10 that had been brought to him by Mr. T. A. Nichols, of Waterloo. Mr. Nichols stated that the money belonged to a negro tenant on his place and that it had been kept in a sack in the negro's house. Recently the house was burned and the money with it. Mr. Roper intends to send these melted coins to the treasury at Washington and endeavor to recover part their value at least. He says that while he has often recovered the value of damaged currency it has not come within his experience to send in burned silver. However, the effort will be made. This case is only one of the numerous follies practiced by people who keep money in their houses tied up in handkerchiefs or socks. Moral: Sock banking is dangerous.

Unveiling Postponed.

The Advertiser is authorized to announce that the unveiling ceremonies by the Cross Hill Woodmen of the World, previously announced for August 6th, are postponed to Saturday, August 15th. This was made necessary because of a conflict with the county campaign dates. All the details of the announced program will be carried out.

GUARDS OFF TODAY FOR CHICKAMAUGA

Company Will be in Camp For Ten Days.

WILL BE FINE OUTING

List of the Officers and Men Composing

Company--Boys in Good Shape

For Encampment.

Traynham Guards, Company D, 1st South Carolina Regiment of the National Guard leave today at 2:35 for Greenville, thence to Chickamauga Park where the national summer encampment will be for the next ten days. Seventeen officers and thirty-one privates compose the company that goes from Laurens, and a fine lot of men they are, too. For several weeks past the company has gone through a most thorough training and it may safely be predicted that it will show up among the very best of all the companies encamped.

Captain Babb will march his company from the armory in heavy marching order; that is equipped with all the appurtenances of camp. From Greenville the company goes to Atlanta, arriving at Lytle station at 6 o'clock a. m. Thursday. From there, the march, a very short distance, is made to the camping ground. There will be about ten thousand men encamped at Chickamauga while the Laurens company is there. The first six days of the stay will be given to regimental and battalion drills and the last four to field service. On one of these days the "Battle above the Clouds" will be fought over between a division of the troops. While on this encampment the Laurens company, as will all the others, will be reviewed by the Secretary of War, Hon. Luke E. Wright.

Mr. Babb wishes it stated that the sanitary condition of Chickamauga Park is as good as anywhere else now, and that no parents need entertain any fears about the health of the boys.

The list of those who go today is as follows:

Captain—Oscar W. Babb.
First Lieutenant—William R. Richey, Jr.
2nd Lieutenant—J. L. M. Rhy.
First Sergeant—J. Arthur Taylor.
Q. M.—D. Roy Simpson.
Sergeants—Gary A. Eichelberger, John W. Crews, J. Cope Henderson, R. Lester Simpson.
Corporals—J. Ed Cunningham, Augustus G. Hart, H. Douglas Gray, S. Young, Culbertson, Ernest D. Easterly, J. Ed Wade, Marion R. Wade.
Trumpeter—R. Hart Richey.
Privates—Thomas C. Bolt, Carlisle Bolt, John Barksdale, James W. Barnett, Claude D. Bond, Luther A. Bragg, Paul W. Choper, Ben. Denson, J. Furman Dabson, Robert M. Eichelberger, J. Gregg Gillespie, Robert M. Gillespie, William A. Hellams, G. Pope Irby, Charley Johnson, Lloyd C. Langston, LeRoy A. Little, Ernest W. Machen, Lang Neibitt, Thomas H. Nelson, John P. Parks, Carroll D. Roper, Russell H. Roper, T. Rex Simpson, Joe F. Smith, W. Mack Snoddy, J. Will Sumner, J. Duncan Sullivan, D. Brooks Swygert, John A. Tague, John Tumblin.

Death of a Lady.

Mrs. Hettie Anderson, wife of Mr. G. Calvin Anderson, formerly of Dials township, died Friday at Woodruff, where the family had resided for some time. Mrs. Anderson was a relative of Messrs. J. L. Hopkins and J. Henry Sprouse, of this city, and was a most estimable lady. She was laid to rest at Fairview, a large assemblage of friends attending.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE TO BE HELD HERE ON JULY 29.

As previously announced the Farmers' Institute will be held in the city of Laurens on the morning of July 29th at ten o'clock sharp, in the court house. Prof. Harper of Clemson college has the matter in charge and he states that a full attendance of the farmers of the county and surrounding country is earnestly desired. An interesting program has been arranged and the meeting will no doubt be interesting and instructive. The authorities will not have the Clemson exhibit car this year so the exercises will consist only of speeches. These are to be the best in the history of the Institutes.

Prominent among the speakers of the day will be Dr. S. A. Knapp of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Others will be Prof. Stewart, Mr. Goodrich, Dr. Mann, Prof. Harper and probably Judge Geo. Prince.